

# Basics. Using 'It' for Time, Distance, and Weather

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Apostrophe

Past tense

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Pronoun

Sentence

Subject

Verb

Verb tense

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Word order

Collocations

1. Complete the text messages between two friends planning a trip to the beach.

"Hey! Are we still going to the beach? I looked out the window, and \_\_\_\_\_ is cloudy right now."

"Don't worry, it \_\_\_\_\_ only 8:00 AM. The sun will come out soon!"

"Great! And it is only ten \_\_\_\_\_ to the beach, so we will get there fast."

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- A) it
- B) he
- C) there

**Blank 2**

- A) is
- B) has
- C) does

**Blank 3**

- A) miles
- B) far
- C) long

2. Help the traveler update her diary about the unpredictable London weather. Select ALL the grammatically correct sentences.

*Select all that apply.*

- A) It is raining heavily today.
- B) It is very cloudy and cold outside.
- C) The weather it is terrible.
- D) Is snowing right now!

3. Fill in the blanks for the tired driver complaining to their passenger on a very long road trip.

Are we there yet? \_\_\_\_\_ over a hundred miles to the next town! \_\_\_\_\_ a very long way to drive without any snacks. My map says \_\_\_\_\_ still fifty miles to the hotel.

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- A) It is
- B) This is
- C) He is

**Blank 2**

- A) It is
- B) That is
- C) She is

**Blank 3**

- A) it is
- B) here is
- C) we are

4. Help the confused time traveler figure out the current situation by choosing the correct word.

"Oh no! \_\_\_\_\_ is almost midnight, and my time machine is completely out of battery!"

*Select one.*

- A) There
- B) It
- C) This
- D) He

5. Help Zorg the Alien complete his report about Earth's strange environment.

"Greetings, Commander. I have landed in London. As usual, it \_\_\_\_\_ raining very hard here."

"I wanted to visit a place called Paris next. I checked the map, and it is very \_\_\_\_\_ from here."

"I asked a human for the time, and they said it \_\_\_\_\_ midnight."

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- A) is
- B) makes
- C) has

**Blank 2**

- A) far
- B) distance
- C) length

**Blank 3**

- A) was
- B) had
- C) did

6. A tired hiker is asking how much further they have to walk to reach the campsite. Select ALL the encouraging replies that use perfect grammar for describing distance.

*Select all that apply.*

- A) Keep going, it is only one mile away!
- B) It's a very short walk from here.
- C) Is not far to the camp.
- D) The camp it is very close.

7. Complete the panicked student's frantic morning text messages to their friend.

Oh no, \_\_\_\_\_ already 8:30 AM! My class starts in ten minutes. \_\_\_\_\_ time to run to school! I hope \_\_\_\_\_ not too late to catch the bus.

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- A) it is
- B) there is
- C) this is

**Blank 2**

- A) It is
- B) There is
- C) He is

**Blank 3**

- A) it is
- B) there is
- C) she is

8. Your friend is panicking because he thinks you are both going to be late for a concert. Select ALL the text message replies that correctly use "it" to talk about time.

*Select all that apply.*

- A) Relax, it is only six o'clock!
- B) It's still early for the show.
- C) Is only six o'clock.
- D) The time it is six thirty.

9. Help the unfortunate tourist finish their postcard home by selecting the correct words for each gap.

Look out the window! \_\_\_\_\_ snowing right now. Yesterday, \_\_\_\_\_ so windy that my hat flew away. I just hope \_\_\_\_\_ sunny tomorrow so we can finally go to the beach.

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- A) It is
- B) There is
- C) He is

**Blank 2**

- A) it was
- B) there was
- C) she was

**Blank 3**

- A) it is
- B) there is
- C) this is

10. Complete the dramatic weather reporter's live broadcast.

"Grab your umbrellas and hold onto your hats, folks! \_\_\_\_\_ pouring rain outside, and the wind is howling!"

*Select one.*

- A) It's
- B) There's
- C) He's
- D) This is

11. Complete the morning shouts of a very busy dad trying to wake up his kids.

"Wake up! I can't believe \_\_\_\_\_ is already 7:30 AM!"

"You need your thick coats today because it is very \_\_\_\_\_ outside!"

"Hurry up! It takes twenty \_\_\_\_\_ to drive to your school!"

*Choose the correct option for each gap.*

**Blank 1**

- A) it
- B) this
- C) there

**Blank 2**

- A) cold
- B) freeze
- C) ice

**Blank 3**

- A) minutes
- B) times
- C) clocks

**12.** Choose the correct word to finish the tired hiker's very important question.

"Excuse me, I've been walking for hours. Can you tell me if \_\_\_\_\_ is very far to the nearest pizza place?"

*Select one.*

- A)** there
- B)** here
- C)** that
- D)** it